

CLAIMS

We claim:

- 5 1. A method of storing data comprising:
placing a plurality of carriers of different colors on a medium and representing data by the
presence and absence of said colors;
exciting said colors within said carriers by making them fluoresce;
measuring said fluoresce of said carriers to identify presence and absence of said colors.
- 10 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said medium is a disk.
3. The method of claim 1 wherein said carriers are nanometer size fluorescent
particles.
- 15 4. The method of claim 3 wherein said particles comprise quantum dots.
5. The method of claim 4 wherein said quantum dots are made up of red, blue,
and green color.
- 20 6. The method of claim 4 wherein said quantum dots are made up of a plurality
of shades of a color.
7. The method of claim 1 wherein said placing of said carriers is performed using
25 inkjet based technology.

8. The method of claim 1 wherein said placing of said carriers is performed using laser-induced technology.

5 9. The method of claim 1 wherein said placing of said carriers is performed using holey fibers.

10. The method of claim 1 wherein an HSMF is used for dispersing collimated fluorescent light on a spectrally sensitive component.